



## **U.S. Army Expeditionary Contracting Command** **Brigadier General Joe Bass, Commanding General**

Brigadier General Joe Bass is the Commanding General of the Expeditionary Contracting Command, a subordinate command to the Army Contracting Command that provides effective and agile expeditionary contracting across the full spectrum of military operations for Army service component commands and the joint Warfighter, and provides effective and responsive contracting support to the Army and other federal agencies at Army installations outside of the continental United States.

His previous assignment was as the Acting Deputy Director, U.S. Army Contracting Command. He also served as ACC's Chief of Staff prior to becoming the Deputy Director.

Brigadier General Bass entered the Army in 1983 as a Distinguished Military Graduate through the Reserve Officers Training Corps program at Longwood University in Farmville, Virginia, and was commissioned in the Quartermaster Corps.



He has held numerous command and staff positions during his 28 years in the Army. Early in his career he served in logistical command and staff positions and was assigned to troop units at Fort Bragg, Belgium, and Germany, including serving as the Commander, 5th Quartermaster Detachment (Air Delivery), Kaiserslautern, Germany.

Brigadier General Bass has over 20 years of acquisition experience and has served in a variety of acquisition assignments to include: Division Contracting Officer, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), Fort Campbell, Ky. and OPERATION DESERT STORM, Camp Doha, Kuwait; Chief of Contracting, U.S. Army Contracting Command Korea-Taegu Office; Director of Contracting, Flight Concepts Division, Fort Eustis, Va.; Acquisition Career Management Officer, OASA(ALT), Pentagon; Deputy Director, Army Acquisition Executive Support Agency, Fort Belvoir, Va.; Commander, Defense Contract Management Agency Special Programs-South, Dallas, Texas; Aide-de-Camp to the Commanding General, U.S. Army Materiel Command, Fort Belvoir, Va.; Executive Officer to the Deputy for Acquisition and Systems Management, OASA(ALT), Pentagon; Commander, Defense Contract Management Agency Texas, Dallas, Texas; Deputy Commander and Principal Assistant Responsible for Contracting-Iraq, Joint Contracting Command-Iraq/Afghanistan, OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, Baghdad, Iraq, Commander, 408<sup>th</sup> Contracting Support Brigade; OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, Camp Arifjan, Kuwait.

He has a Master of Arts Degree in Management from Webster University, St. Louis, Missouri, and a Master of Science Degree in National Resource Strategy from the National Defense University, Fort McNair, Washington, D.C. He is a graduate of the Industrial College of the Armed Forces, the Advanced Program Managers Course, the Army Command and General Staff College and the Training with Industry Program.

Brigadier General Bass's awards include the Legion of Merit, Defense and Army Meritorious Service Medals, the Joint Service and Army Commendation Medals, and the Army Achievement Medal. He has earned the Combat Action Badge, Master Parachutist Badge, Air Assault Badge, Parachute Rigger Badge, and French, Dutch, German, and Thai Parachutist Badges.